



**1155<sup>th</sup> meeting of the  
Pacific Coast Numismatic Society  
7:30PM Wednesday July 28, 2012  
Building C, Fort Mason  
San Francisco, California**

**Coins with Stories**

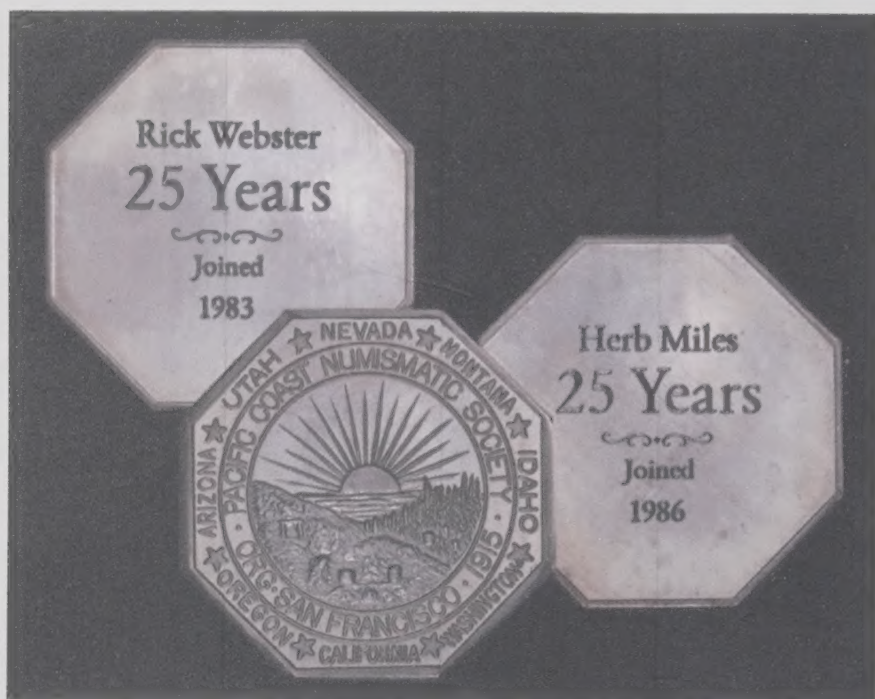
stories told by

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and Michael Turrini**

*1154<sup>th</sup> meeting, June 30, 2012*

Members, family, and guests enjoyed a fine meal and evening fun at San Francisco's Gold Mirror for our annual banquet.

President Stephen Huston presented silver anniversary medals to two members, Rick Webster and Herb Miles.



Dan Hipple announced the winners of the annual papers contest:

First Place: William Hyder, California Trail Riders Pictorial Tokens

Second Place: Mark Benvenuto, The Maria Theresa Thaler – The Ultimate One-Year Type Set

Third Place: Jerry Schimmel, San Francisco Through Its Exonumia: THE U.S. BEER HALL

## *1915 and the founding of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society*

(periodic selections from History of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society 1915-1990 as Interpreted from the Meeting Minutes by David W. Lange)

August, 1916: The Society moved its meetings to the office of President Fred Huddart at the Board of Trade Building having outgrown their previous meeting place. Farran Zerbe read a paper rebutting the claim of the Society of California Pioneers that they owned an 1804 silver dollar that the U.S. Treasury was ready to buy for \$20,000. The PCNS secretary reported that he had been invited by the Chief Coiner at the Mint to view trial strikes of the new Winged Liberty dime.

October 1916: The Society held a banquet at the Union League Club honoring Farran Zerbe since his work with the PPIE coin program had concluded and he was preparing to move back to his home in Tyrone, Pennsylvania. President Huddart exhibited the coin collection of the Society of California Pioneers which he had recently purchased. It had been displayed at the Mint for the past 40 years and yes, the 1804 silver dollar proved to have an altered date.

Over the next year, attendance began to decline to around 8 or 9 members with few bringing exhibits to share. Basil Brandon continued the tradition with frequent exhibits of British coins.

### *2012 meeting Schedule:*

August 22, 2012: Building C, Fort Mason

September 26, 2012: Building C, Fort Mason

October 24, 2012: Building C, Fort Mason

November 28, 2012: Building C, Fort Mason

December 26, 2012: Building C, Fort Mason



## *A few views of the Cliff House:*



(A. J. McDonald photograph of a painting of the 1895 Sutro Cliff House.)



Arturo Sutro's Gingerbread version of the Cliff House opened to the public in February 1, 1896 and burned to the ground on September 7, 1907.

The Cliff House image on the orchestrian token appears to be modelled after the painting illustrated above.

*(Images not to scale.)*

